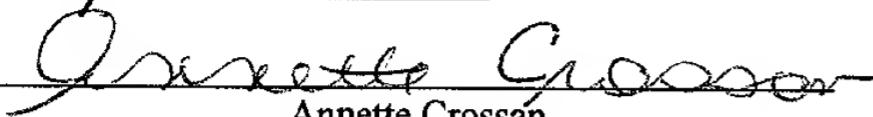


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 3: replace by the following:

herein by reference. It is also a divisional of application Serial No. 09/302,812, filed April 30, 1999, now U.S. Patent No.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-35 and 40 without prejudice.

REMARKS

Claims 1-35 and 40 have been presented in divisional applications.

Claims 36-39 and 41-66 are pending herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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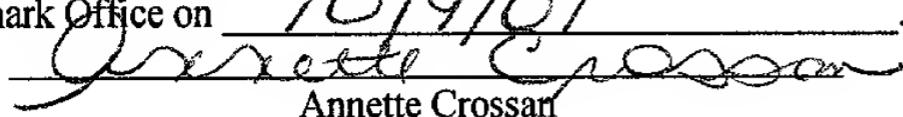
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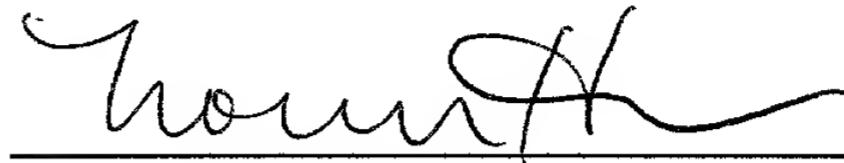
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This application is a divisional of Serial No. 09/302,812, filed April 30, 1999. Please transfer the computer readable form of sequence information filed in 09/302,812 on June 12, 2000, to this application, and please make the attached paper copy of record.

The undersigned hereby declares that, to the best of his knowledge, the computer readable and paper copy versions of sequences are identical to each other, and to information set forth in the application as filed. No new matter is believed presented.

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